



Board of Health – Town of Spencer

Minutes

Board of Health Meeting
Monday, February 1, 2010 at 6:30 PM
McCourt Social Hall
Memorial Town Hall

Board of Health Members present: Lynda Laine (Chair), Rodney Foisy, Dan Shields

Staff present: Lee Jarvis, Health Agent

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

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December 7, 2009 - *A motion to approve the Minutes (Shields/Foisy) passed 3/0.*

H1N1 Clinics: The Board of Health has held all the clinics for the town. The money allocated from the Town prior to the grant was not used for any of the clinics. Approximately 30% of the towns' population participated in the flu clinics which is approximately 3,500 shots given. Of the 3,500 shots given, 1/3 of the shots were given to the children at the schools. There are still 4,500 vaccines left over. About 1,000 vaccines will expire next month and the rest of the 3,400 are good until March, 2011. The Town will be receiving approximately \$7,000 more from the PHER grant for the H1N1 clinics. We are currently in a deficit and holding bills until we get the PHER grant money so the Town money doesn't have to be used.

Community Fact Sheet: Mr. Jarvis handed out a community fact sheet on cigarette smoking to the Board members. There is an estimated 1,916 smokers that live in Spencer, which is 21.7% of adults, age 18+. The Town of Spencer is 35% higher than the state average. The rate of smoking during pregnancy in Spencer is 68% higher than the state average.

The rate of sales to minors is 75% lower in Spencer than the state average. 64 people from Spencer called the Massachusetts Smokers Helpline to quit smoking.

A motion was made to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. (Foisy/Shield) passed 3/0.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Daoust, Clerk
Development & Inspectional Services